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SUBJ: CHARTER REVIEW - AD HOC COMMITTEE

1. PLAJA (ITALY) REPORTED TO WEO GROUP THAT DISCUSSION WITH OTHER GROUP CHAIRMAN INDICATED THAT THERE WAS POSSIBILITY OF 9 SEATS IN 37 MEMBER COMITE. PLAJA REPORTED HE HAD HELD OUT FOR 10.

2. MURRAY (UK) TOOK FLOOR AND STATED HMG HAD NOT MADE UP ITS MIND WHETHER TO SERVE. THAT THEY WERE UNDER PRESSURE NOT TO SERVE AND VERY MUCH DOUBTED THAT WOULD HAVE ANY INTEREST IN SERVING ON A COMITE ON WHICH THE WEST HAD ONLY 9 OUT 37 SEATS. HE REFERRED TO AGRESSION COMITE AS PROPER COMPOSITION FOR COMITE DEALING WITH THIS SORT OF SUBJECT MATTER.

3. VON WECHMAR (FRG) SAID FRG BELIEVED 9 OUT OF 37 WAS NOT APPROPRIATE AND THAT FRG'S INTEREST IN SERVING WAS CONDITIONED ON PARTICIPATION BY THE PERMANENT MEMBERS.

4. PLAJA SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WAS POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING AGREEMENT TO COMITE OF 39 MEMBERS WITH 10 WEO SEATS. HE SAID HE WOULD CONTINUE SEEK 10 OUT OF 37 BUT WOULD FALL BACK
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TO 10 OUT OF 39 IF NO ONE OBJECTED. THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS.

5. BELGIUM ANNOUNCED WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY AND SWEDEN SAID THEY EXPECTED TO BE THE NORDIC CANDIDATE. CURRENT CANDIDATES ARE AUSTRIA, FRG, GREECE, ITALY, NEW ZEALAND, SPAIN, SWEDEN, TURKEY, I.E., A TOTAL OF 11 INCLUDING PERMANENT MEMBERS.

6. AFTER MEETING SWEDEN APPROACHED US TO EXPLAIN THAT THEY WOULD WITHDRAW THEIR CANDIDACY IF PERMANENT MEMBERS DECIDED NOT TO SERVE.
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